

A PERSIAN CITY IS IN THE DIREST STRAITS

Inhabitants Without Food and are Starving—Consuls are Threatened and Consuls may be Killed to secure Foreign Intervention to Relieve the Misery.

St. Petersburg, April 20.—The city of Tabriz, Persia, is in the direst straits. The inhabitants are unable to procure food and are starving. Some have already died of hunger and many are dying.

The consuls are threatened by a mob who seem bent on killing the consuls for the purpose of compelling foreign intervention to relieve the misery. The Russian residents are assembled in the consuls, which is especially threatened, it being known that 1,000,000 roubles (\$400,000) belonging to the closed bank is stored there.

A sharp fight followed at Karamli, where a young American missionary by the name of Baskerville, who was leading a section of those making the sortie was killed.

At Great Britain's request Russia is sending sufficient troops to Tabriz to protect Russian and other foreign institutions and subjects and to maintain safe communication between Tabriz and Jolfa.

RELY ON INSANITY PLEA

At the Trial This Week Will May Be Witness For the State.

New York, April 20.—Conferees in the office of John F. McIntyre, counsel for Captain Peter C. Hains, June, in which the latter's parents, General Hains and Mrs. Hains, the son, Major John R. Hains, and several witnesses participated, resulted in the decision to rely solely on insanity as a defense in the trial of Captain Hains for the murder of William E. Annie. The trial began Monday in Flushing, amid the scene where Thornton Jenkins Hains was acquitted, and it is expected will last about three weeks.

In spite of the fact that the prisoner's wife, Mrs. Claudia Libby Hains, and her mother, Mrs. Charles Libby, have announced through District Attorney De Witt, of Queens County, their readiness to appear as witnesses against Captain Hains, the opinion that Mr. Hains will not take the stand, should she do so, Mr. McIntyre would be compelled to submit her to a merciless cross-examination.

Must Tell of Post-Sandals.

She would be asked about the alleged sandals at Fort Hamilton, which were broadly hinted at in the trial of Thornton Jenkins Hains, the drinking bout, which took place with cigarettes, and such things.

"my side" on night auto trips, and flirtations, accounts of which, it is asserted, contributed in convincing Captain Hains' reason.

The defense will call between 40 and 50 witnesses. Mr. McIntyre is considering, presently, subpoenaing with medical experts to combat the testimony who will be called by District Attorney De Witt. It is the tentative plan of the defense to leave to the judgment of the jury the mental condition of Captain Hains immediately preceding the shooting of Annie.

The killing in all its aspects will be asked. Captain Hains will be described as a sufferer nearly all his life from emotional instability. The incident will be a tragic incident in the Spanish-American war, when Captain Hains, Major Hains and their families all on the battlefield at La Osa, near Santiago. Witnesses will describe the scene. General Hains had advanced into the thick of the fighting, although military tactics required his presence in the rear. This fact, witnesses will say, was brought on the mind of Captain Hains that he ran to his father's side, drew his sword and swung it at Gen. Hains' helmet, knocking it off.

Ordered Father to the Rear.

He commanded the action with an order for his father to retire to the rear. This incident will be told to the jury to prove Captain Hains' susceptibility to emotional instability. In the fight that day a bullet penetrated Major Hains' body, passing entirely through the right lung, and medical records describe the pain as one of three, in which soldiers have recovered from such a wound.

With the battlefield scene as an introduction, the narrative of Captain Hains' life will be reviewed from the time he began receiving letters in the Philippines and Honolulu from friends who urged him to come home at once. Mr. McIntyre will date from then the time that he ran to his father's side. The jury next will be told of the journey across the continent, during which Captain Hains did not sleep for four days and nights.

Arriving at his home in Fort Hamilton in a "mad" condition, Captain Hains was tormented further by the cruel attending the getting and signing of an alleged confession from his wife. It will be asserted that hearing of his wife's removal to a sanatorium, where an operation was performed, and her later convalescence in apartments owned by Annie, further unsettled his reason.

Wife's Suit a Final Blow.

It is completely undisputed that the defense will describe how the wife, and in which he was to be charged with abnormality. Evidence will be produced to prove that Annie supplied the lawyer who is to conduct the suit for the \$25,000. It will be said that within the 24 hours after Captain Hains learned

of the suit and its possible developments he became a madman and while thus afflicted killed Annie.

He needed by the prosecution, both Mrs. Hains and her mother, Mrs. Libby, will appear at the trial of Captain Hains and testify.

FIRBY C. N. R. CROP REPORT.

Seedling Will be General by End of Week Say Agents.

Winnipeg, April 20.—The first report of the Canadian Northern railway on the crop conditions in the west was compiled today. The agents all over the system send in good reports of the farming situation, and it may be taken that seedling will be general by the end of this week. In many places seed starts today. An especially good report comes from Didsbury, Sask., where five per cent of the grain is already in the ground. At this point the acreage will be much in excess of last year. At Marrayfield, Sask., the farmers start today seedling 15,000 acres of wheat land, which represents an increase of 5,000 acres over the crop of last year. Manitoba farmers expect to have 4,000 acres seeded by the end of the week. At Ruskworth, Sask., Order, Underhill, Beaver, Pimnas, Carleton, Boushank and many other places the farmers were early on the ground this morning with their drills and seed.

BRIDE BECOMES JEWESS.

Conversion to Bridegroom's Religion Precedes Wedding.

London, April 20.—Miss Violet Hermonette, daughter of the late Mr. W. E. Hermonette, first master of Hickey's Club, Commander of the City of London Corporation, who held the Portuguese title of Viscount, was married to Mr. Leo Anatole Jougues at the West London Synagogue.

Before her marriage, Mrs. Jougues was received into the Jewish faith by her given name, Beth in baptism. Previous to this ceremony Mrs. Jougues took a course in all Jewish forms and customs, also in Jewish history.

CHILD OF THREE STOPS TRAIN

On the Track With His Tin Horse and Refused to Get On.

Belleville, N.J., April 19.—A three-year-old boy held up a passenger train on the Erie railroad. The child had ventured away from his home in the village of Lows Creek to Coggins on the international boundary. The bill was refused.

Hamilton Hotel Licenses Reduced.

Hamilton, April 20.—The license commissioners this afternoon reduced the number of hotel licenses from 95 to 65, and the number of shop licenses from 37 to 15.

CARUSO LOSES HIS VOICE.

Cigarettes and Liquors Undermine Great Tenor's Health.

New York, April 20.—Enrico Caruso is suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism of the throat and vocal cords, and is to undergo a series of operations.

He has sailed for Europe on the Moravia, intending to place himself under a specialist at Milan. The friends of the tenor are greatly alarmed, as there seems to be a grave doubt as to the recovery of the operations.

Underwent Operation.

He was told that he must change his mode of living and go at once to Milan, where the climate would be beneficial to him, and then have the necessary operations performed.

Hard to Find Quilty Ones.

It will be no easy task to bring the guilty ones to justice. On account of the strictest registration of births, certificates of marriages, entries in family Bibles or certificates from local clergy men that applicants are over 70, have had to be sought in support of claims.

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"But are you 70?"

"Faith, I am that, sir."

"Where were you born?"

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"The year of the big wind was 1857, when a great storm swept over Ireland. This is a very old man, and he must be at least 50 years old, and it is remarkable how most of the applicants have heard their mothers tell that they (the applicants) were babies in the cradle at the time the anniversary of the battle of the Marston was celebrated."

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"That's so, sir," said the old man complacently, as he handed in the document, which disqualified him forever from the title of a pensioner. Not that

OLD AGE PENSIONS TOO POPULAR.

Extensive Frauds Are Practiced by Old Men Not Yet Honest.

London, April 20.—Old age pensions have cost taxpayers in England exactly \$18,500,000 since January, 1900. Indeed they have become so popular that taxpayers are voting the proper way to pay them, and even the Government which admittedly instituted these pensions, without consulting the vote, is now showing some signs of the extent of its misjudgment.

In estimating the cost of the pensioner Mr. Asquith thought that for the first year many persons eligible to receive them would be deterred by shyness from applying. Results have shown him to be an exceedingly poor judge of human nature in this respect.

Especially in Ireland did he misjudge the modesty of elderly humanity. According to one authority who has analyzed the statistics between 50,000 and 70,000 persons of all ages are today receiving old age pensions in Ireland who are not qualified under the act.

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It mattered much, for it was found that the applicant had a farm which produced \$1,000 yearly.

One ragged individual confidentially informed an officer that the pension, small as it was, "would be a godsend, because it would just pay me income tax." As a matter of fact, the man's income was not over \$12.00 yearly.

RECOVERING WITH BROKEN BACK.

A Surprising Cure Made in a New York Hospital.

New York, April 21.—Stephen Barnes, Brooklyn house painter, whose back was broken by a fall of 20 feet in White Plains, April 4, is rapidly recovering in the White Plains hospital. When taken to the hospital Barnes was paralyzed from the hips down.

On May 1st, the condition known as Avondale, will be placed on the market and the public will have an opportunity of securing birth and day late in the vicinity of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway shops, at the very best price, and on the most possible terms. It is estimated that with the growth of the pulp industry in this section of the city, Avondale lots will rapidly rise in value. The property is being handled by the North American Real Estate Co.

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TRAVELLERS' CHEQUES

The new Travellers' Cheques recently issued by the Bank are a most convenient way in which to carry money when travelling. They are issued in denominations of \$10, \$20, \$50, \$100 and \$200.

and the exact amount payable in Austria, Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Great Britain, Holland, Italy, Norway, Russia, Sweden and Switzerland is stated on the face of each cheque, while in other countries they are payable at current rates.

The cheques and all information regarding them may be obtained at every office of the Bank.

EDMONTON BRANCH, - T. M. TURNBULL, Manager.

THE WOLF CREEK TOWNSITE

The first divisional city west of Edmonton announced by the G.T.P. Railway Co. At the junction of Wolf Creek and McLeod River, 120 miles west of Edmonton. Lots in this townsite will be placed on sale on

Wednesday, April 21st, 1909

There will positively be no lots offered for sale until 10 o'clock Wednesday. As a great many are waiting for the Main Street lots, it will be advisable to be on hand when the office opens Wednesday if you should want a lot on Main Street.

Lots from \$50 to \$150. Terms, one-third cash, balance 3, 6, 9, and 12 months.

For Sale By McLeod River Townsite Co., Limited, 43 Jasper Avenue West

SPORTING NEWS

BASEBALL

TUESDAY'S BASEBALL.
Yesterday's rain over the States has been a blessing in disguise. Only two games were played in the American League. In the American League, Cleveland took a full out of the Detroit Cubs by defeating them 10 to 1 and landing 10 hits. In the American Association, the Detroit team defeated Milwaukee 4 to 3. The results are as follows:

American League.
Detroit 2 3 5
Cleveland 10 17 2
Posed on account of rain.
New York at Philadelphia.
Boston at Washington.

National League.
All games postponed on account of wet grounds.
At Milwaukee:
Milwaukee 3 10 2
Posed on account of wet grounds.

Today's Games.
St. Paul at Kansas City.
Indianapolis at Columbus.
American League:
St. Louis at Cleveland.
Detroit at Chicago.
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CHECKERS

CHEQUER MATCH TUESDAY.
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BASKETBALL

STOCK VS. SWANES.
On Tuesday night the team from the school boys' section will play the champion team of the Working Boys' section for the championship of the city. The game will be held at the Grand Hotel, London, on May 1st. The game will be held at the Grand Hotel, London, on May 1st.

POOL AND BILLIARDS.
First Class Barber Shop in Connection.
The pool and billiards section of the club will hold a meeting at 8 o'clock on Tuesday night. The club will hold a meeting at 8 o'clock on Tuesday night. The club will hold a meeting at 8 o'clock on Tuesday night.

RESOLUTIONS FOR THE BOARDS OF TRADE CONVENTION OF WESTERN CANADA.
The resolutions for the boards of trade convention of Western Canada will be held at the Grand Hotel, London, on May 1st. The game will be held at the Grand Hotel, London, on May 1st.

SENIOR GYM CLASSES CLOSED.
The senior gym classes of the club will be closed on Tuesday night. The club will hold a meeting at 8 o'clock on Tuesday night. The club will hold a meeting at 8 o'clock on Tuesday night.

LOCAL SPORT EVENTS.
On Wednesday, April 21, at 8 p.m., Y.M.C.A. Harriers' Club meeting. Y.M.C.A. Harriers' Club meeting. Y.M.C.A. Harriers' Club meeting.

CALLIES PRACTICE TONIGHT.
The Callies practice team will meet tonight for the championship of the city. The game will be held at the Grand Hotel, London, on May 1st. The game will be held at the Grand Hotel, London, on May 1st.

YOUNG TURKS ARE AGAIN IN CONTROL.
(Continued from Page One.)
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Have They Reached Agreement?
The Young Turks have reached an agreement with the city. The game will be held at the Grand Hotel, London, on May 1st. The game will be held at the Grand Hotel, London, on May 1st.

VICTORY FOR DREADNOUGHT.
The Dreadnought team has won the championship of the city. The game will be held at the Grand Hotel, London, on May 1st. The game will be held at the Grand Hotel, London, on May 1st.

Offer: Pardon to Garrison.
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